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Dear Mr. [ ]

I have written to the British more than a month ago but they have not answered. I do not think they will do it at all. I know their attitude. They do not like to be involved in any affairs. They even did not give me papers I urgently needed. Instead they gave me a certificate in a false name which was of no use. If I had not have an American friend in Germany I should have remained in Germany, not being able to get the visa.

Now the boys are still jobless. They have been told by the Labor Board that if they did not take the first best job in a coal mine they would no more get their unemployment subsidies. As the latter is 26 shillings a week I have written to my boys that better they stand off and I shall send them money. But this is not the only trouble. The other trouble is that they do not want to stay idle. They are anxious to continue learning but this is too expensive there and would take about \$200 a month. I scarcely can afford this.

Therefore I ask you to try your best and to get them to this country. As there they are living under false names they can obtain a British exit visa only in their present names. The only possible way is to give them entry visas in their present names and to explain the Federal Bureau of Investigation that those people are my sons. As I have some old documents of theirs even with fingerprints and photographs this matter must not be as difficult as it may look. At any rate I instantly ask you to do anything as this concerns me too. It is very difficult to live and to work successfully always being in worry and alone.

Now, this is merely a general information. If you will succeed in getting a satisfactory reply and you will need any particulars I shall give them immediately.

With kind regards

Very truly yours,

/s/ N. N. Poppe

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